



The Honorable Dean Rusk
The Secretary of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We would like to express our appreciation for Mr. Walt W. Rostow's fine presentation at CIA's initial course in "Counter-Insurgency Program Planning" for senior officers of the State Department, USIA, DOD, AID, and CIA.

Mr. Rostow's treatment of the stages of insurgency, the weaknesses in the target societies, the United States' principal objectives, and the major lessons already learned in combating Communist subversion and insurgency, constituted an impressive address for the opening session of this Course. In view of the great interest it aroused among the class members, we regret that time did not permit a more extended discussion of the many problems the students wished to raise.

We were particularly pleased with the emphasis Mr. Rostow gave to the mission of preventing insurgency before it reaches the stage of open violence.

We are most grateful to Mr. Rostow for his valued participation, and hope we may call on him again to set the stage for subsequent classes.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Marshall S. Carter

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